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First named inventor: Topping, Allen, et al.Application No.: 09/207,339Art Unit: 2623Filed: 1998 DEC 8Examiner: BALI, V.Title: Automated Identification Through Analysis of Optical Birefringence...

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- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

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